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Just a few Odds and Ends in Men's Suits, LARGE sizes only, 40, 42 and 44 chest measure, at

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the cheapest are worth double that, and some as much as \$15—odd Suit Pants at

\$2.25,

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75c and \$1.50 each,

and three more extraordinary chances to secure two or more dollars' worth of goods for one dollar in cash.

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514 Ninth St. N. W.

Great Money-saving Sale.

Beating All Previous Records



58c Closing sale of our elegant \$2.00 Suits, only 100 of them left, and must go at 58c complete suit.

29c Our elegant Gingham or Cheviot Skirts, extra full and worth 98c. Only 29c.

19c Elegant Outing Underskirt. Worth 68c. Only 19c.

2c a piece large Turkey Red Handkerchiefs. Worth 10c a piece.

3c a bottle of best Sewing Machine Oil. Sold at 10c.

9c an elegant Hair Brush. Usually sold at 20c. Only 9c.

29c 1 Blacking Brush, 1 Clothes Brush, 1 Whisk Broom, 1 Tooth Brush, all for 29c. Worth 80c.

4c a pair 1,000 pairs Children's Stainless Black Hose, all sizes. Worth 10c. Only 4c.

39c Gloria Cloth Umbrellas. Worth 75c. Only a few left.

9c a piece large Lace Ties or Splashes. Worth 25c. Only 9c.

25c large size Crib Blankets. Worth 48c.

49c extra heavy Blankets in gray or white. Worth 98c. Only 49c.

OPPENHEIMER'S

514 Ninth St. N. W.

Summer Goods Must Go!

Yes, they must go, though we lose money on every one. We must make room for our fall stock. We are not going to carry goods over.

We have plenty of hot weather ahead of us yet, and it will pay you to take a look round our Stock—the chances are that you can pick up something so cheap that it will be a good deal like finding dollars.

Those pants we have been selling for \$1.63 were worth three or four times as much—we have hardly any of them left, but we might possibly have your size.

New York Clothing House,

311 Seventh St. N. W.

MUST HAVE FIRE ESCAPES

Excise Board Makes a Ruling as to Hotel Licenses.

VERY WIFE IN ITS SCOPE

Application for a License of the Character Refused Because the Certificate of Safety Appliances Was Not Put in—Many Buildings Affected by the Precedent.

The excise board has established a precedent which, if not successfully challenged, will have a most important bearing on the application of the fire escape law to hotels, possibly to other buildings, and will be co-operative with the authority vested in the assessor in obliging obedience to the requirements for proper equipment with means of protection against fire.

The ruling of the board is that an application for a hotel license must be accompanied by a certificate from the building inspector that fire escapes, with stand pipes, ladders, and other equipment specified, have been provided as required. This decision is based on section 6, of the amended law, enacted March 2, 1895, which provides that it shall be unlawful to issue a license to the lessee or proprietor of any building, in the District, used as a hotel, factory, manufactory, theater, tenement house, hall, or place of amusement, or other building used for a business for which a license is required, unless the application for such license is accompanied with the certificate of the building inspector that such building is fully equipped with the prescribed means of escape.

The section quoted has heretofore been regarded as applying only to the license issued by the assessor for the business pertaining to a hotel or other occupation for which it is required, and that a bar-room license would come within its scope has not been contemplated.

It is quite certain that the construction given to the section by the excise board will be controverted, but until it is overruled by competent authority, if it should be, the ruling will stand.

The first case in which the section was applied was that of Henry Conrad, at No. 1361 Seventh street northwest. His building has been occupied for hotel purposes for a great many years. It is four stories in height and comes within the requirements. He would have been obliged a little later to have fire escapes erected in order to continue the business of hotel-keeper.

He gave his order for the equipment, and the work of placing the escapes is completed, but when he made application for bar license the board required the filing of a certificate from the inspector and fire department chief as evidence that the law had been complied with. Mr. Conrad said that a farmer has the right to sell hay without having it weighed. It is in the bulk and he sells the crop as it is.

Attorney Pugh argued that there was no difference between selling a crop and a load of hay, and that it was necessary under the ordinance to have the hay weighed. Judge Scott agreed with the opinion, and a fine of \$3 was imposed.

This decision is of some importance and will settle a long mooted question.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Licenses to marry have been issued as follows:

William Henry Day and Fannie Fowler. Grant Hill and Mary Barnett.

John Virgil Eubanks and Fannie Monroe, Va., and Annie Loretta Donohue, of Oswego, N. Y.

William Duncan and Maggie Burke. Marion R. H. Stewart and Rosa G. Moxley.

Charles W. Blakey and Mary G. Gaudin. Middleton Hanborough and Carrie Elinore, both of Leesburg, Va.

Charles W. Arnold and Maggie L. Davis, both of Richmond, Va.

Alfred Jones and Hattie Hancock. William H. Hunnison and Laura M. Thornley.

Henry Harris and Julia Swail. Eugene W. Salfield and Jennie Ford.

Thomas G. Copeland, of Montgomery County, Md., and Elizabeth Page.

Mrs. Wolcott's Gift.

Benjamin F. Snyder and Mabel Ashford have been named as executors and trustees to hold the property of the late Anna Wolcott, whose will was filed for probate yesterday.

The will provides for the investing of \$41,000, a portion of the income from the investment to be expended toward the maintenance of the Home for the Incurables, in which there is to be a ward to be known as the Lottie Wolcott Ward, in memory of her daughter.

Blast in a Tailor Shop.

At 4:45 this morning No. 4 engine turned out for an alarm of fire at No. 332 N street southwest, occupied as a dwelling and a tailor shop by Theodore Kriening. Damage, \$500. The insurance fully covers the loss.

He May Not Recover.

George Glorius, aged eleven years, who fell from a swing pole, receiving serious injuries, is still at the hospital. There is little hope for his recovery.

BURGLAR WAS SCARED.

Unsuccessful Attempt Made to Rob a Tailor Shop.

Some unknown person broke into the tailor shop of J. Stein, No. 521 F street, last night, but was frightened away. The course pursued by the man would indicate that he was perfectly familiar with the house.

He first pried open the door of a narrow hallway leading from under the stone steps immediately west of Mr. Stein's front door. Once in the hallway he had two doors yet to open before reaching a small court in the rear of the building. To facilitate his work he lighted the gas in the hall.

From the court he gained an entrance to the back room of the tailor shop by breaking open the blinds and raising the window. Something evidently frightened the thief at this point and he made his exit from the premises through the stable in the rear of the court. Mr. Stein suspects a former colored employe.

PEEL SURE OF SUCCESS

Colored Business Projects Discussed at a Meeting.

Leading Spirits Picture the Need of Suitable Employment for the Youth of the Race.

The colored people of the District who are interested in the opening up of business enterprises among themselves held a largely attended meeting at the Vermont avenue church last night, at which ways and means were discussed for the proper development of the proposed schemes, and the meeting was presided over by Miss Nannie Burroughs, who stated that the meeting had been called for the purpose of interesting the people here generally in the enterprises which it was proposed to start. She said that 85,000 colored people here spent thousands of dollars yearly in the different stores, but no employment was ever given to the colored youth except as laborers.

It was proposed, she said, to start such places of business as would help the colored people generally. The aid and co-operation of all people, regardless of race or color, were solicited, and it was especially hoped that colored people would supplement the efforts of those who were trying to develop the idea.

Dr. Walter H. Brooks, of the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church, said that he was in hearty sympathy with the movement. He said that it was a lamentable fact that hundreds of young men and women of color were graduated from the schools here annually and yet could find no means of employment. Hundreds of young colored women in this city are idle, not because they are indisposed to work, but because there was no work for them. He thought that this condition of affairs was of a detriment to the race generally and calculated to do it great injury.

He was followed by Recorder of Deeds Taylor, who said the proposed enterprise was an assured fact, and would give the negro a higher standing in the community. He thought that the colored people were too much interested in religious work, and not enough interested in the business pursuits of life. Too much jealousy and envy existed in the race, and what was needed was more race pride and race loyalty.

Perry Carson also made an address, and claimed that he had always been in favor of the organization of the colored people since 1865, and pledged himself to support the new enterprises.

Thomas L. Jones was the next one to give encouragement to organization among the colored people. He spoke of the business enterprises operated by the colored people of the South, and thought that the people here ought to have sufficient ability to maintain similar institutions.

The president announced that it was not proposed to appeal to the colored people for funds to maintain the proposed enterprises, but that sufficient capital had already been obtained, and that the meetings were held for the purpose of securing the interest of the people regardless of race or color in the movement.

HAS AN OFFSET CLAIM.

Gas Company and the District Even on Honors.

The controversy between the Washington Gaslight Company and the Commissioners touching a bill for gas, settlement of which has been pending since 1892, is likely to be settled by a reference of the whole subject to the Treasury Controller. In that case the belief is that the company will have an offset to meet that will more than consume its claim.

During Col. Lusk's incumbency of the Engineer Commissioner's office it was discovered that the District was paying for 120 lamps more than were in use. Selecting a date without reference to the accuracy from which to date claim for refundment, the company was called upon to make good the difference, and did so.

A little later the company alleged that an error had been made, and that the number of lamps for which it had received pay in excess was less by seventeen than the number for which they reimbursed the District. The auditor finally asked for a statement, and the figures given varied from the original claim. Consequently the auditor asked either that the whole subject be closed or that the whole subject be reviewed. The matter has remained in that position until now, and being reviewed by the action of the company in again presenting its claim, it is probable, from a discussion had today, that a more accurate account of the number of lamps in controversy will be ordered, and that the settlement of the claim will be submitted to Comptroller Bowler.

Willie Had the Watch.

The house of Dr. Benjamin McMurtrie, No. 2000 8 street northwest, was entered a few days ago and a valuable watch stolen. This morning Detective Boyd arrested a colored man named James Anderson, on suspicion of the crime.

He stoutly denied the charge, but was carried off despite the protestations of his sweetheart, Willie Martin. After awhile Willie was permitted to watch and she is now held on a charge of receiving stolen property.

Dr. W. T. Oke Dead.

Dr. William T. Oke died yesterday at Bedford Springs, Pa.

He was at one time a prominent homoeopathic physician in Washington, and for a time suffered a large and lucrative practice there. He had previously been a contract surgeon in the Army, and had married in Philadelphia a rather wealthy girl, who for a number of years was quite a prominent figure in society.

Passed His Examination.

Arthur St. A. Smith, the only colored man among those examined for the positions of composers in the Government Printing Office, has been notified of his acceptability. He has for twenty-six years been employed in the bureau.

Senator Gray Coming Home.

London, Aug. 22.—Senator George Gray, of Delaware, will sail for New York on the steamer St. Louis on Saturday.

EGG LAY

To-day we will sell the best Fresh Eggs at

10c. a Dozen.

NEW BOOKS

We will also begin to issue our new premium cards to-day. In addition to Books we will give—

Gold Band Cups, Saucers and Plates, Toilet Sets, Tea Sets, Dinner Sets, Albums, Rocking Chairs, Sofas, Banquet Lamps and Eight-day Clocks.

Customers desiring the above articles should get their Cards soon, as only a limited number will be given out.

Our Fresh Meat and Vegetable Department is attracting much attention. Those sugar-cured Breast Strips of Bacon, quoted below at 10 cents per lb. are a good "ad." for us. Presents in Gold-bound Chinaware given to purchasers of \$1.00 worth or over.

TEAS.

Best Mixed Tea, lb. 20
Good Mixed Tea, lb. 15
Squirrel Brand Cornmeal, sack . . . 12
Balt. Sugar Cured Shoulders, lb. . . 10
Box of 50 Good Cigars 10
Ball Salmon, per can 12
Large Flat Case Salmon 15
Large Boxes Scotch Herring . . . 15
Shore's Oil Sardines 10
Macaroni, per package 10
Best Fresh Eggs, doz. 18
Lily Best Patent Flour, 50 lb. . . . 12.50
Royal Family Flour, 50 lb. 8.50
Large Mustard Sack, 4 cwt. 2.50
Lee & Perrin's Worcester Sauce . . 25
Small can Baked Beans 10
Sack Good Family Flour 35
Webb's Delicious Cocoa, can 15

COFFEES.

Java and Mocha Coffee, lb. 30
Balt. Sugar Cured Breast Strip, per lb. 10
Loose Leaf, per lb. 15
The Loose Leaf Coffee 15
24 cwt. Petrifolia Food 25
Pepper, Cinnamon, Ginger, Allspice, Cloves, Mustard, lb. 10
Canned Oysters, per can 10
Three Fly Tobacco, per lb. 12
Finest New Tobacco, per lb. 12
Best Mixed Cakes, per lb. 12
Star Condensed Milk, can 10
7 Star or English Pearl Soap 10
5 Pkgs. Best Oats, for 10
Corn Starch, per pkg. 10
Large Fat Mackerel, 3 lbs. 25
Largest Brand Fresh Beans 25
2-Pound size Baked Beans, can . . . 25
Sack Best Fat Flour 35

JOHNSTONS

729, 731 7th Street.

LIBEL SUIT WITHDRAWN.

Howard F. Johnson Accepts an Explanation From Agnew.

The libel suit recently entered by Mr. Howard F. Johnson against his former partner, S. H. Agnew, has been withdrawn, the following card explaining their action:

To whom it may concern:—I hereby desire to state that I have never maliciously attacked the character of my late partner, Mr. Howard F. Johnson, and I implore to him neither fraud, dishonesty, or unworthy motive in any business transaction, more especially in the transaction narrated in the bill of complaint recently filed by William A. Murray against Hannah L. Kelly and James Madigan.

Witness: W. R. BAILEY.
Mr. Samuel H. Agnew having made a full explanation to me of his connection with recent charges against me appearing in the bill of complaint filed by William A. Murray against Hannah L. Kelly and James Madigan, and in view of the foregoing statement by Mr. Agnew I desire to say that the explanation is satisfactory and I acquit him of all malice in the matter.

HOWARD F. JOHNSON.
Witness: W. R. BAILEY.

Big Buildings Abroad.

The special commission, composed of Building Inspector Brady, Architects J. G. Hill, Robert I. Fleming, W. C. Morrison, the builder, and A. P. Clark, Jr., and James P. Freeman, of the board of fire underwriters, whose duty it is to devise the building regulations, have addressed a communication to the Secretary of State with the request that the Secretary endeavor to obtain, through the foreign representatives of the United States, copies of the regulations governing the construction of buildings in Stockholm, Brussels, London, Berlin, Manchester, Copenhagen, Edinburgh, Paris, Vienna, and Glasgow.

McKinlay's Site Accepted.

A proposition from William McKinlay offering to sell his site for a public school building in Ivy City at 18-1-2 cents per square foot, has been accepted by the District Commissioners, subject to the establishment of a perfect title.

Trainman Hurt.

Thomas G. Lelider, a railroad man, fell from the platform of a car at Brunswick, Md., this morning. He was brought to the Emergency Hospital, where it was found that his thigh and chest were injured.

Double-breasted Skeleton Serge Coats

at three dollars apiece are cheap enough, when they cost us more at wholesale. We've too many of them left, and although they are the regular \$5, \$6, and \$7 coats they shall go at

\$3.00.

Yesterday we began to sell them at this price, and, of course, the ranks are somewhat thinned. Still, for several days you will be able to find your exact fit.

Take the hint. If you don't want to miss a genuine bargain, call today.

M. DYRENFORTH & Co.,
621 Penna. Avenue.
UNDER METROPOLITAN HOTEL.

We don't pretend that we are in business for fun—we are here to make money. We do not lose on everything we sell, because if we did we would be unable to pay our expenses. But we do not expect to get rich in a year. We are content to make quick sales and small profits. We think it the best policy, because if our customers find they are getting good value for their money they will come back again. Our \$3.00 suits are a fair example of our method of doing business. We were able to buy them cheap, and we are content with a very small profit on them. They are excellent value for good buying in the secret of our success.

GARNER & CO.,
Outfitters,
R. R. Cor. 7th and E.

STOPPING STREET CARS.

Railway Men Argue For and Against the Near Side.

Commissioners Give a Hearing to Decide Upon a Uniform Rule for Power Roads.

The Commissioners, having announced that they would to-day consider a police regulation that if adopted would require all rapid transit street cars to stop on the near side of the street when receiving or discharging passengers, they were waited upon by a delegation of road representatives in opposition to the proposed ordinance.

President Dunlop, of the Washington & Georgetown, President Baker, of the Columbia, Superintendent Todd, of the Brightwood, Superintendent Purdy, of the Georgetown & Tenallytown, Attorney Ridout, representing the Belt and the Eckington & Soldiers' Home, and Superintendent Claude, of the Rock Creek road, composed the delegation.

President Griswold, of the Anacostia road, responded to an invitation to be present, but, his being a horse-car line, he took no part in the debate.

The occasion for a regulation upon the subject is that some of the companies have their cars stop before crossing the street, while the remainder stop after crossing. In this way endless confusion arises.

The weight of the argument to-day was in favor of having the stop made after crossing the street. It was contended that it will be less dangerous, and so far as the passenger is concerned, will be preferable. The passenger, in getting on or off the car, will in a majority of cases be nearer the crossing and have less need to traverse in bad weather.

Each of the gentlemen named spoke, Messrs. Dunlop, Ridout, Purdy and Claude, contending against the proposed regulation, but they and all the others agreeing that there should be uniformity.

A letter was read from President Phillips, of the Metropolitan road, in which he stated his company had adopted the plan suggested, but asking that the proposed regulation shall make needed exceptions, and that it should apply to all roads using rapid transit motive power.

The Commissioners will probably make the order for cars to stop after passing a street, upon the grounds that to make a change in a plan that has been in existence so long will be more dangerous to the public than to revise the order on a road where it has been in operation a shorter period.

Fractured His Skull.

Dudley Cole, colored, aged 26 years, living on Columbia terrace, between E and F and Twentieth and Twenty-first streets northwest, fell this morning from the roof of a building belonging to Littlefield & Alvord, at the foot of Twenty-sixth street, and probably fractured his skull. He was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where his injuries were dressed. His condition is considered extremely serious.

White Ribboners at the Grove.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the District will have an important meeting at Washington Grove camp to-morrow at 3 p. m., to which all White Ribboners are invited. The ladies will leave the city at 8 a. m. by way of the Baltimore and Ohio road, and will hold a basket picnic during the day in connection with the service. There will be brief addresses and good music, and a fine meeting is anticipated.

More Shoe Failures

occur from the accumulation of old stocks than from any other cause.

Beware of these old bankrupt shoes that have in vain been waiting for years for purchasers—they may look well, but in many cases the leather is dry-rotten, and whatever you pay for them is money wasted.

Our policy is: "First loss, best loss." Every Friday we almost give away our Slow Sellers and Odds and Ends, consequently we hardly have a Shoe in our house that is over a season old.

TO-MORROW we shall have two tables full of genuine bargains at our Main Store, 930 and 932 Seventh Street.

50c Table Contains—
Ladies' \$1.50 Patent Leather Ties—size 1 to 3 1/2.
Ladies' Tan \$1.50 Buckler Ties—size 2, 3 1/2, 4 and 5.
Ladies' Kid \$1.50 Wide Toe Ties—size 2 to 3 1/2.
Ladies' small size Button Boots—were formerly \$2 to \$4.
Ladies' White, Tan and Gray \$1.50 and \$2 Bandals—small sizes.
Child's \$1.00 Dongola Oxfords—size 5 to 8.
Child's \$1.00 Tan Lace Shoes—size 5 to 8.

95c Table Contains—
Men's Tan Elastic Slide "Faint" Slip-pers—size 5 to 9.
Men's Tan Slippers \$2.00 Shoes—size 5 and 5 1/2.
Boys' \$1.50 and \$2 Tan Bucklers—nearly all sizes.
Ladies' \$2.00 to \$4 Common Sense Boots—size 1 to 3 only.
Ladies' \$1.50 Tan and Black Low or High Cut Jullets.
Ladies' \$1.50 and \$2 Common Sense Tan and Black Ties—2 to 3 1/2.
Misses' and Child's \$1.25 and \$1.50 Tan Shoes—nearly all sizes.

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100 of these hard-wood frames, red seat, shellac finish, Swing Rockers, will be placed on sale

One Dollar Swing Rocker

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At 59 Cents.

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Furniture and Carpet Co.

Agency for the Celebrated Columbia Automatic Filter.

Balance of our Odds-and-ends sale of Easy Chairs, Rockers, Tables, Hat Racks, Divans, Pedestals, Chiffonieres, Parlor Cabinets, Book Cases, Carpets, Lace Curtains, Wall Paper, &c., will be closed out at less than ONE-HALF PRICE.

If you have not already taken advantage of this UNPARALLELED CLOSING-OUT SALE OF ODDS AND ENDS, don't delay. Shrewd buyers will get ahead of you. This sale means a saving of OVER ONE-HALF ON EVERY ARTICLE PURCHASED.

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Low Prices

for cash is as much as most people can reasonably expect, especially in the furniture trade, but we are doing more than that—we are offering you the very lowest prices

On Credit.

We do not impose any hard conditions on you—our credit system is the easiest of its kind in existence. We have a splendid stock for you to choose from.

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